

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Investigation on the Commission's own motion
and Order to Show Cause into the operations,
practices and conduct of Titan
Telecommunications, Inc. (U-6224), and
Christopher Bucci, its President and owner,

Investigation 01-03-021
(Filed March 15, 2001)

Respondents.

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING
CONSOLIDATING AND CONTINUING HEARINGS**

This ruling grants Respondents' (Titan Telecommunications, Inc. and Christopher Bucci) Motion to Amend Procedural Schedule, filed September 28, 2001. The August 27, 2001, Assigned Commissioner Ruling (ACR) set two phases of hearings, the first for October 2001, and the second for January 2002. Respondents request that the Commission consolidate hearings for the revocation and alter ego phases and set them for the second week of January 2002. Respondents note that the Commission's Consumer Services Division (CSD) does not oppose consolidation and the proposed schedule.

The hearings will be consolidated and continued to January 8-11, 2002. At the August 15, 2001, prehearing conference, Respondents and CSD discussed their respective schedules. CSD has been unable to proceed as quickly as it would like due to resource constraints. Respondents have a number of schedules to coordinate. Respondents note in their motion that rescheduling the hearings will be more efficient. Although rescheduling the hearings will result in a final

decision date outside the 12-month deadline, the Commission had contemplated that this proceeding would not resolve in one year. It is reasonable in light of scheduling concerns and resource constraints to consolidate and continue the revocation hearings.

Respondents request until October 31, 2001, to serve declarations and/or testimony for Phase I. Respondents note that CSD's supplemental report, filed September 19, 2001, contains new charges and voluminous attachments. CSD reserved its rights to object to the revised testimony deadline. Respondents' testimony was due on October 3, 2001. That date has passed. In a letter dated September 19, 2001, CSD's attorney notes that Respondents and CSD had insufficient time to prepare a final stipulation concerning undisputed facts and law. In order for both parties to have sufficient time to prepare for the continued hearings, Respondents may serve their Phase I testimony on October 26, 2001, and Respondents and CSD shall file a stipulation on undisputed facts and law for Phase I on November 9, 2001 and for Phase II on December 17, 2001. The Phase II testimony dates remain unchanged.

IT IS RULED that:

1. Respondents' motion is granted as set forth below.
2. Phases I and II hearings are consolidated and scheduled for January 8 through 11, 2002, beginning at 10:00 a.m., on January 8, and 9:00 a.m., on subsequent dates in the Commission's Courtroom, State Office Building, 505 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco, California.
3. The date for Respondents to serve Phase I testimony is changed from October 3, 2001 to October 26, 2001.

4. Respondents and Consumer Services Division shall file stipulations of undisputed facts and law for Phase I on November 9, 2001 and for Phase II on December 17, 2001.

Dated October 4, 2001, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ JANICE GRAU

Janice Grau
Administrative Law Judge

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have by mail this day served a true copy of the original attached Administrative Law Judge's Ruling Consolidating and Continuing Hearings on all parties of record in this proceeding or their attorneys of record.

Dated October 4, 2001, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ FANNIE SID

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